ADVISORY BOARD ON ACUPUNCTURE MINUTES

Wednesday, February 07, 2007, 9:00 a.m. 6603 West Broad Street
Board Room 4, 5th Floor
Richmond, Virginia

The Advisory Board on Acupuncture met on Wednesday, February 7, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Health Professions. Jody Forman, Chair, called the meeting to order. A quorum was declared.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jody Forman, MSW, L.Ac., Chair

Betsy Brooks Carr

Marie M. Stephenson, L.Ac. Elaine Komarow, L.Ac. Marie F. Steinmetz, MD

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director-Licensing

Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst Pamela Y. Smith, Recording Secretary

GUEST PRESENT: Chelsea Rock, ASVA

Jeff Bertry

APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED JUNE 7, 2006

Ms. Carr moved to approve the minutes dated, June 7, 2006. The motion was seconded and carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Carr moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments

#1. Regulatory Update

Ms. Yeatts suggested periodic review of regulations for discussion at the next board meeting. Ms. Komarow moved to publish a Notice of Intended Regulatory Action for periodic review of regulations. The motion was second and carried.

#2. Current Legislation-2007 Session of the general Assembly

Ms. Yeatts presented and explained new legislation affecting the Department of Health Professions, the Board of Medicine and the Acupuncture Advisory Board.

#3. Dry Needling

The issue of dry needling by physical therapists was discussed.

Ms. Yeatts explained that a task force will be formed by the Board of Physical Therapy to study the practice of dry needling. A suggestion was made to review the definition in law of the practice of acupuncture at the next meeting.

Announcements

Next scheduled meeting: June 6, 2007

Adjournment

Ms. Komarow moved to adjourn the meeting of the Advisory Board on Acupuncture. The motion was seconded and carried.

Jody Forman, MSW, L.Ac., Chair William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director Pamela Y. Smith, Recording Secretary